their Report. Part-II of their Report is yet to be received. In Part-I the Committee has made 150 recommendations.

(b) It is proposed to take action on those recommendations, which will be accepted by the Government Implementation of many of them depends on the availability of funds and resources.

Report of Justice Khanna Commission on Rail Safety

247. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered/examined report of Justice Khanna Commission on Safety in Railways, indicating which of the recommendations have been accepted so far by the Ministry;

(b) whether any allocations have been made during 1999-2000 to upgrade railway signals, telecommunications track maintenance, hardware etc.; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. The Railway Safety Review Committee set up under the chairmanship of Justice H.R. Khanna, a Retd. Judge of Supreme Court has submitted Part-I of their Report. Part-II of their Report is yet to be received. In Part-I, the Committee has made 150 recommendations.

Examination of 114 recommendations have been completed so far. Out of 114 recommendations 97 recommendations have been accepted and 17 have been partially accepted and their implementation is being done in phases subject to availability of resources.

(b) Yes, Sir. The following allocations have been made during the

year 1999-2000 to Signal works, telecommunication facilities and track renewal and maintenance and hardware etc.

Rs. in crores (Gross basis)

	Budget Estimate 1999-2000	Revised Grant 1999-2000
Track Renewal	2000.00	1917.66
Signal & Tele	386.40	348.19

(c) Does not arise.

Armed Commandos in Trains

248. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:
SHRI RAMACHANDRAIAH RUMANDLA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether armed commandos are proposed to be deployed in trains;

(b) whether Railway Protection Force would be trained as commandos to protect train passengers;

(c) if so, the details of the proposal;

(d) the trains selected for this purpose; and

(d) other measures taken for passenger safety?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is proposed to train selected personnel of the Railway Protection Force as Commandos and deploy them at stations and on trains.

(c) and (d) The proposal is at a nascent stage.

(e) As per the Constitutional provision, maintenance of law and order and policing on the Railways including the running trains is the responsibility of the State Governments. The Railways have taken the